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## IWO JIMA STAMP WILL BE ISSUED ON JULY 11th

### Canada Jubilee Proofs Bring \$436 In Auction Of Thomas Collection

A set of plate proofs of Canada's 1897 Jubilee issue in horizontal pairs brought \$436 when the specialized Canada collection of Capt. Ernest Thomas was auctioned in London May 7 by H. R. Harmer. These proofs were in issued colors on India paper, and some were slightly thinned.

An uncatalogued variety of the 1898 2c map stamp, printed only in gray-black, with two colors omitted, and in a superb unused imperforate block of four, realized \$124.

Several lots of the later imperforates fetched outstanding prices: 3c bright vermilion of 1888-97, a horizontal pair on cover, \$44; 5c brownish gray, same issue, unused block of four, \$76; 20c vermilion of 1893, block of four with o.g., \$84 (catalogue \$40); 50c deep blue of 1893, unused, \$44 (catalogue \$10); 20c dull brown Quebec Tercentenary, superb unused block of four, \$124; 5c airmail of 1928, superb o.g. block of four, \$290.

Among the early imperforates of the 1852-57 issues, these prices were noted: 6p slate violet, thin wove, used, \$100 (catalogue \$45); 6p greenish black, used, \$108 (catalogue \$35); 6p gray violet, thick hard wove, used, \$78; 10p bright blue thin wove, used, \$64 (catalogue \$60); 10p dull blue, used, \$66 (catalogue \$60); 10p Prussian blue, medium wove, used, \$68; 10p blue of 1857, on stout hard



Showing the raising of the Star Spangled Banner on Mount Suribachi, subject for the new Iwo Jima stamp and a miniature of one of the 7th War Loan posters inspired by the same picture.



### Declared Infeasible One Day; Announced The Next Day—Iwo Jima Stamp May Be American Bank Note Company Color Print

Ever since the day on which our gallant boys raised the Star Spangled Banner on Mount Suribachi, there has been a hue and a cry led by Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming, former First Assistant Postmaster General, for a stamp to honor these men as well as stamps to honor our other men and women in different branches of our armed services. The request has been kicked around like a wet rag for many weeks and the latest information just a few days ago was that the issue of such a stamp was infeasible, which everyone seemed inclined to accept as the death knell of this much

wanted stamp. It seems that that word "infeasible" must have irked someone and it may have been crammed right back down the throat of the man who uttered it for rapidly following that report comes the news that the stamp will be issued from Washington, D. C., on July 11th.

### New Series Of Stamps To Honor Armed Forces

While an announcement has not yet been made it is highly probable that the Iwo Jima stamp honoring the Marines is the first of a series to honor our Armed Forces. The Remegan Bridge stamp suggested for the Army would be a part of this series. It would seem improbable that the Marines stamp should be issued without a definite determination to issue stamps for the other branches of the service and if the Armed Forces are to be honored thus, those other branches of our War Machine can hardly be overlooked, thus we might hope for several new stamps in quick succession.

Would not this also be an opportune time to put forth that Red Cross Blood Plasma stamp long ago promised, but seemingly forgotten.

### STOP PRESS!

Word is just at hand from Washington that the Iwo Jima stamp will be in purple, the regular Commem. size, upright format. Electric Eye Printing.

Only wording is "UNITED STATES POSTAGE" at top, "IWO JIMA" at base, and the figure "3". No credit to our Marines—SHAME.

No other details are at hand, other than that it is to be a 3c stamp. Word from Mr. Leo August of the Washington Stamp Exchange of Newark, N. J., suggests the probability that it may be a Bank Note Company printing and we are inclined to believe that this may be the plan since it offers such a splendid opportunity for the Post Office Department to kill two birds with one stone by supplying this Iwo Jima stamp and a stamp with the American Flag in colors in a single stamp. A stamp of this latter type has been among the requests of collectors for years past and we hope to see this new stamp fill that demand also.

Word also comes from Mr. W. B. Doffermeyer of Washington confirming the issue of this new stamp.

We again print the picture of the raising of the flag on Mount Suribachi, that picture which first helped to rouse interest and create a demand for this new stamp. The picture was first printed in the columns of the Washington Star on February 24th and 25th.

Through the kindness of James Waldo Fawcett, stamp columnist for the Star we were supplied an illustration which we showed in our columns of March 22nd. We reprint the picture again and alongside it, a miniature of one of the 7th War Loan posters which is based on this same picture.

Further details are lacking as this story is prepared. Should other information come before we go to press, it will appear on this page.

In the meantime we are able to offer the advertising of several wide awake cover dealers who offer first day covers of this new stamp for the collector.

### Interest In First Day Covers Is Booming; Says Cachet-Craft Cover Service

Samples of the special cacheted envelopes for the coming Roosevelt Memorial stamps are at hand from the Cachet Craft Cover Service of 32 Eden Street, Framingham, Mass. These are attractive envelopes, consisting of a matched set of four for the four different stamps and an extra special envelope for the set on one cover.

The drawings are by Staehle which means attractive designs. Cachet Craft reports that an unprecedented amount of business has been received for these new Roosevelt First Day Envelopes with many recorders. It appears that this set of stamps may set a record for all denominations of stamps in this series in First Day cancellations.

There is still time for collectors who have not ordered to get their orders in for envelopes or for serviced covers as the date for the first stamp is June 27th.

### Australia May Issue Roosevelt Mem. Stamp

Sydney: There is every possibility Full Cabinet in Canberra on Tuesday will consider striking a special memorial postage stamp as a national tribute to President Roosevelt.

Usually a decision of this nature would be made by the Postmaster General (Senator Cameron), but it was stated in Sydney political circles that the occasion being such a special one the final decision would probably be made by the whole of Cabinet.

The suggestion that a special stamp be issued was made by the Mayor of Coolangatta (Alderman S. W. Winders), well-known Queensland philatelist, who suggested the design should show a full face portrait of President Roosevelt flanked on either side of AIF and American soldiers with the two countries' flags crossed in a V above the words "Australia" and "Roosevelt, 1882-1945."

He said there was no official bar to the use of a President's portrait on an Australian stamp despite the generally accepted idea that no portrait other than that of Royalty can appear on stamps of Britain and her Dominions.

If the Cabinet agenda on Tuesday is too crammed to enable discussion to take place on the issue of this stamp, question on the issue will be asked in the House of Representatives on Thursday.—Clipping from Garner Curran.

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This is the only service of its character in the United States and so far as the writer is able to learn, the only service of its kind in the world.

The vessel serving as the floating post office is not owned by the Post Office Department, but is hired under contract for periods of four years at a time. There have been four different boats used in this service since its inception. The first was the Florence B., and following her the C. F. Bielman, Jr. Both of these were small steamers with a crew of pilot and engineer. The G. F. Becker which followed the Bielman was Diesel powered as is also the present one, the O. F. Mook. Boats of this kind can be controlled entirely from the pilot house and so require no engine room crew.

The contractor supplies the crew to operate the boat as part of his contract; the post office merely assigning men to handle the mail, two to each watch. These men are picked from the letter carrier force and are generally ones who have been connected with what was formerly known as the U. S. Life Saving Service, or who have worked on commercial fishing craft or on lake freighters. Congress, recognizing the hazards of this employment has, by special act increased the salary of these men over that paid other letter carriers; its no job for a land lubber.

The first year of this service in 1895, forty-seven thousand pieces of mail were handled to and from passing vessels. In the year of 1921, this service was increased to approximately 2,000,000 pieces of mail handled through this service. There are 600 to 700 boats which receive their mail through this service during each navigation season, and by their repeated trips back and forth about 25,000 deliveries are made. This volume has increased only slightly since 1921. Among the mail handled are important messages from headquarters of the steamship companies to the masters of the vessels, weather reports are delivered daily and these are important to seamen, especially in the fall of the year. Many telegrams are delivered—and three cents postage assures this service. Thousands of special delivery letters and parcel post packages are handled each year.

It is estimated that the Detroit River Service supplies a floating population of approximately 52,000 people. This service is continuous night and day from about April 15 to December 15 of each year, which covers the entire natches are received daily from the Roosevelt Park Annex. The mail is sorted to the different vessels by being placed in pigeon holes to await their arrival either up or down the river, as the case may be. The daily papers report the passage of down river boats from Sault Ste Marie, and the up river boats are reported from Lake Erie ports. These skilled men, knowing the speed of the various boats, can estimate their approximate time of passing from these reports and therefore are always prepared for deliveries. Most of the men engaged in this work have had previous experiences on marine work and fully appreciate the anxiety that exists among the crews for news from loved ones at home or a

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**U. S.**  
Flags Used 13 Singles.....\$ .90  
Flags Used 13 Blocks.....\$ 3.40  
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Flags Mint 13 Blocks.....\$ 4.80  
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Mint Sheets of Flags in Complete Sets (13) Agency Centered—  
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Used V. F. Cpl. Sets 10 Sets \$7.80  
Used Select Cpl. Sets of Blocks 10 Sets \$35.00  
100 Ass'd. V. F. Used Flags.....\$5.00  
**JOSEPH J. GOLDBERG**  
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**SUMMER SPECIALS**  
"Canada Dry" Mixtures.....\$3.00  
1 Pound; about 10,000. OFF paper.  
"Near East" 1000 Mixtures.....5.00  
NEWFOUNDLAND 1000 Mix.....6.00  
Giant Foreign 5000 Mixtures.....8.00  
All Postpaid. All OFF PAPER, above.  
● Buy Next Winter's Fun Now ●  
1 lb. Canada "Soak" Mixtures.....\$1.25  
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Every CANADA COIL, 36 in. all, complete MINT, Fine to Superb; bargain.....\$7.00  
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**DID YOU KNOW ..**  
that stamps bring very high prices on the current market?  
We are willing and able to follow this trend and are prepared to pay cash prices for stamps whether they are in the form of a highly specialized collection or just "dumped" into a shoe box. We are also interested in better grade mint and used U. S. Postage and Revenues, Singles, Blocks and Sheets.  
Drop us a line and let us know what you have to offer, won't you?  
**COSMOPOLITAN STAMP COMPANY**  
1457 B'way (Times Square) N. Y. C.

**RUSSIA**  
We just purchased from a refugee the following Russian stamps, which he was forced to take in lieu of cash. Figuring the ruble at 20c American money, the FACE VALUE of the lot is \$8.26, and the value according to Scott's Catalog is \$22.92.  
The price for the following 35 varieties is only \$11.50 while our supply lasts. COMPARE THESE PRICES with any WHOLESALE LIST, and you will see what a BARGAIN we are offering you.  
We have one lot in blocks of 4, first check for \$45.00 takes it. All are mint, o. g., never hinged.  
Scott's Catalog numbers are: 594, 616, 617, 620, 621, 628, 734, 735, 736, 739A, 737, 814, 844, 847, 848, 849, 855, 876, 877, 887, 888, 893, 894, 896, 898, 899, 901, 903, 924, 926, 927, 928, 939, 940A, C78.  
**CALIFORNIA STAMP CO.**  
220 The Arcade Cleveland, Ohio

**MARINE POSTAL SERVICE ON THE DETROIT RIVER**  
(Continued from page 2)

oncoming ship, the carrier dropped into the rowboat and drifted alongside of the big ship. Standing, he threw a rope to the anxiously awaiting mariner, who caught the tow and fastened it. The little rowboat gave a sudden jerk, when the slack of the rope was taken up by the moving freighter. This was one of the thrills of the service and many of the officials of the Post Office Department can tell of this experience. The bucket was then lowered from the big freighter some fifteen or twenty feet above the small rowboat, although from the small boat, to one inexperienced, it looked like a skyscraper. The outgoing mail was then taken from the bucket and the delivery placed therein and the bucket hauled up to the deck of the big ship where eager eyes and hearts were waiting. The tow rope was then loosened and the marine carrier either returned to his tug or if perchance another boat was arriving, just swung around to await its arrival and repeated the delivery as before.

It often happened that two boats arrived at the same time, going in different directions. In such cases, the rowboat would make one delivery while the tug performed at the other, steaming alongside the freighter while the operation was being executed. In order that mariners may enjoy every possible service, arrangements have also been made whereby money orders may be purchased through this service, without additional cost. All that becomes necessary for the purchaser is to make out the application, a supply of which is carried by all boats, enclose same in envelope with letter, enclosing money and leaving envelope unsealed. The carrier turns the envelope in to the office, money order is issued, enclosed in envelope and mailed. On the return trip of this boat receipt for money order will be delivered to purchaser.

In the year 1913, by a special act of Congress, a suitable flag for this service was adopted. It is described as one of blue silk, cut in pennant shape, bearing the American Eagle with armor breast, and the words, "United States Mail" inscribed in white letters.

An average of one hundred and twenty-five boats pass this point daily, on which deliveries are made. In fact, it is very disappointing to the marine carriers not to have any mail for a passing freighter; however, this seldom occurs.

Since 1939 the Detroit Post Office has provided a "Lake Seaman's Postal Guide" consisting of a placard about 15 inches square, advising postage rates and proper manner of handling mail to and from the vessels. These are maintained as permanent equipment of the vessels and framed under glass for reference by the crews.

Postmaster Roscoe B. Huston is an enthusiastic supporter of this branch of the service, and especially commands same because of the comfort it brings to the men engaged in the commerce of the lakes. Many of these men sign contracts for the season with vessel owners and do not leave boats from beginning to close of the navigation season.

**VOX POP**

Following is just one of many similar comments clipped from a letter from one of our readers.  
Butte N.D. Apr. 23, 1945.  
Geo. W. Linn.  
Sidney Ohio

Dear Mr. Linn—  
I have noticed several comments recently in various stamp periodicals about a whiskey advertisement that appeared in at least one nationally known magazine showing a couple of elderly men with a drink of whiskey, examining, and apparently discussing,

**\$360.00**  
That is the price I am currently paying for full sets of Famous American sheets. I am able to pay equally high prices for good U. S. Commemoratives, Airmails, Zeppelins and regular issues in Mint and Used condition. Your offerings of singles, blocks or full sheets in Mint or Used condition will be appreciated.  
**JOHN A. FOX**  
116 Nassau St. New York 7, N. Y.

ing, stamps.  
Am enclosing another whiskey ad I have taken from the current issue of Time magazine. The same comments as to the accuracy of the details of the picture, such as stamp tongs, etc., will apply to this picture as to the other, so there is no fault to find along those lines.  
However the thing that alarms me about the whole thing is that the only ads I have ever seen featuring stamp collectors have also shown them as having a drink of some particular brand of whiskey.

I suppose most of us do enjoy an occasional drink of good whiskey, but why single that out as being our outstanding characteristic. While I do not personally know of one, still it is quite possible that there are stamp collectors who do not even take an occasional drink of whiskey. This line of advertising might do them a grave injustice and possibly the matter should be looked into by some of the national philatelic societies.

Also an alarming feature is the inor easing youthfulness of the characters portrayed in the ads. If it continues along these lines we are liable to see a picture of a couple of young boys with a bottle of booze swapping stamps and this would undoubtedly be harmful to our hobby. Lots of folks already think us a little "peculiar" and if

**JUST IN CASE**  
you don't know, I need those stamps you are thinking of selling. I am sure we can both profit if you do not put off writing.  
**P. B. McKINNEY** ELSIE, MICH.

**FOREIGN POSTAL STATIONERY**  
Every specialist in stamps of one or more countries should add a showing of the envelopes, wrappers, letter cards and postal cards of such country or countries. They are showy, colorful and usually inexpensive. Ask for an approval selection.  
**WARNER BATES** Wardsboro, Vt.

**I Am Always In The Market To BUY FOR SPOT CASH**  
Collections, accumulations, covers, cancellations—anything in stamps. Send with your prices or for my offer. Will travel reasonable distance to inspect valuable properties. J. E. RASDALE  
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537 (4) \$3.00	629 (6) \$.95	705 (4) \$.14
549 (4) 1.50	644 (6) 1.35	706 (4) .40
550 (4) 7.50	645 (6) .55	707 (4) .25
612 (6) 5.50	646 (4) 1.00	708 (4) 1.00
614 (6) 1.00	649 (6) .75	709 (4) .35
615 (6) 1.50	650 (6) 2.10	717 (4) .20
616 (4) 8.50	654 (4) .90	718 (4) .50
617 (6) 1.10	680 (6) .75	724 (6) .50
618 (6) 2.00	688 (6) .80	727 (4) .25
619 (4) 4.50	690 (6) .45	728 (4) .15
620 (4) 1.85	702 (6) .45	732 (4) .25
627 (6) 1.20	704 (4) .18	733 (6) .50

Huber Stamp & Coin Co.  
Box 488 L Minneapolis, Minn.

**1 CENT EACH AND UP**  
AND UP  
ARRANGED BY COUNTRIES.  
On approval to adult collectors only. The most ideal way to FILL THOSE EMPTY SPACES in your album at low cost. References appreciated.  
**A. LANGE**  
Box 21, Station K, New York 55, N. Y.

**APPROVALS!!**  
Over 65,000 Varieties  
MOSTLY  
**50% TO 80% DISCOUNT**  
MENTION SIZE OF COLLECTION - COUNTRIES INTERESTED - WANT LISTS! REFERENCES!  
**FRENCH**  
119 W. 57th St. New York

these ads continue they are likely to conclude that we acquire two bad habits at an early age.  
Yours Truly.  
Edw. H. Shelton.  
Editors Note—Just frame the picture, clip off the Whiskey advertisement and call it lemonade.  
**FARLEY SPECIAL PRINTING**  
Plate Blk. Sing-les  
#752-765 \$10.50 \$5.00 \$1.25  
#756-765 8.50 4.00 1.00  
#740-749 5.50 3.75 .85  
#771 2.00 .40  
Your want list given prompt attention. Postage extra.  
**E. C. STEWART**  
3623 Pape Ave. Cincinnati 8, Ohio

**Stamps That Educate!**  
Learn stamps this new easy way! The guess work has been taken out and now you can learn about stamps in 15 minutes! What are pen cancells? Office cancells? "Tied to cover"? Parcel post stamps? Flat plates? etc., etc. All these are enclosed in our U. S. packet so you will have no doubt as to what they are. Besides we enclose 10 different commemoratives, 10 present issues, 4 envelope, 3 airmails etc. This packet alone will give you all the information you need for a merit badge. It is intended for anyone who is interested in stamps. No one is too old to appreciate it. Send only 50c and your package will come by return mail. We will also enclose approvals. Money refunded if not fully satisfied.  
**GEO. W. WENTZ, JR.**  
417 N. Comanche St. San Marcos, Texas P. O. Box 402 Youngstown (1), Ohio

**18th MID-ATLANTIC STAMP SALE, JUNE 21-22**  
UNITED STATES \* BRITISH COLONIES \* FOREIGN  
Large lots in Specialty albums and accumulations of cheap U. S. and Foreign. Fine for packets and approvals.  
All Collectors of MEXICO will want the catalog of my 20th sale, to be held in the Fall. You are missing something, if an auction buyer and do not receive my catalogs. Zone number please.  
**H. A. ROBINETTE** 900 F St. WASHINGTON 4, D. C.

**PORTUGAL** Here to New England came many of these industrious people, from Portugal and from the Islands. Here in New England is perhaps more stock of Portugal and Colonies than elsewhere in the country. We are just breaking down three nice collections of 'Guese, including quite a few fine full-margined copies of the Imperforates.  
Your want list of Portugal and Colonies will be carefully filled with originals.  
**New England Stamp Co.** 71 Bromfield St. Boston, Mass.  
Est. 1893 Open daily 9-5

**PLATE NUMBER FIND PRE ELECTRIC EYE**  
This advertisement was printed in the May 24 issue of this paper and was in error in that the advertisement should have stated, PRE Electric Eye Printings of the 3c Presidential Stamp.  
Naturally, since these stamps are now all Electric Eye Printings, the old ones printed in 1938 are much more rare as examples of stamp printing than are Electric Eye Current prints. These numbers are all old and sheets are without any Electric Eye markings.  
All we have found are of the top left corner positions, a lot of four different numbers. Of the two lower numbers we have about twice as many as of the two latter numbers, thus the price difference. We know that real specialists sometimes want these in sheets, others are satisfied with strips of twenty from the top of sheet with plate number while others are satisfied with blocks of four. If you are in need of any of these numbers, here is your opportunity as they are now seven years old and few are available.  

Plate number	Block Four	Top Twenty	Full Sheet
21928	\$.50	\$1.10	\$4.00
21930	.50	1.10	4.00
21931	.75	1.25	4.50
21939	.75	1.25	4.50

  
All items will be mailed flat. Postage extra on orders under \$5.00. Registration or insurance extra.  
ADDRESS YOUR ORDERS AND MAKE POSTAL NOTE OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO  
**SIDNEY STAMPS** **SIDNEY, OHIO**  
L. H. TURLEY, Manager

**FDC ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL FDC**  
Memorialize this memorable world leader with world leading cachets. We are now returning to our original 1931 practice by offering more than 1 type of cacheted envelope for First Day Covers.  
**Smartcraft Embossed Artcraft Engraved Farnam Engraved**  

	SMARTCRAFT or FARNAM				ARTCRAFT			
	1c	2c	3c	5c	1c	2c	3c	5c
Single*	\$.15	\$.17	\$.15	\$.20	\$.19	\$.20	\$.20	\$.25
Pair*	.15	.17	.18	.25	.20	.24	.24	.28
Block	.19	.20	.25	.35	.20	.25	.30	.40
Pl. # Block	.25	.30	.45	.55	.30	.35	.45	.60
Single elec. eye*	.17	.19	.17	.22	.21	.23	.22	.27
Pair elec. eye*	.17	.19	.20	.27	.22	.26	.26	.30
Block elec. eye*	.21	.22	.27	.37	.22	.32	.32	.42
Pl. # Block elec. eye*	.27	.32	.47	.57	.32	.37	.52	.62
Guide Line Block	.65	.65	.65	.75	.70	.70	.70	.80
4 corner blocks of								
any LEFT pane	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.85	1.65	1.65	1.65	2.00
4 corner blocks of								
any RIGHT pane	1.75	1.75	1.75	2.00	1.85	1.85	1.85	2.25
16 corner blocks with matching Pl. # Blks.	7.00	7.00	7.00	9.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	10.00

  
\* NOTE:—1c franked with strips-3; 2c franked with pairs.  
IMPORTANT:—All orders for corner blocks sent to you unaddressed under separate cover.  
SPECIAL:—AND WILL THIS SURPRISE YOU WHEN YOU SEE IT! For any order over \$10 we will send you our EXCLUSIVE maximum card of ROOSEVELT PORTRAIT (plus something which will sweep you off your philatelic feet!) with stamp on face of card bearing bull's eye first day cancel, for only 50c. To all others—\$1.00.  
MINT STAMPS:—Enclosed in your FDC:—Singles 2c over face; pairs 3c over face; blocks 5c over face; plate blocks 15c over face.  
DROP US A CARD NOW WITH YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, POSTAL ZONE NUMBER AND RECEIVE OUR SPECIAL BULLETINS WITH OFFERS AT KNOCK-DOWN PRICES.  
DEALERS:—(1) We will be at Washington, Hyde Park, Warm Springs, to service your covers. Send for our charge list. We will not hi-jack your mailing list. Plenty of character references from other cover dealers.  
(2) We have thousands of SMARTCRAFT EMBOSSED envelopes for immediate delivery. Grade 1, Grade 2, Grade 3. Write for prices or for last minute orders remit on old prices and we will adjust. Include postage and special handling or special delivery.  
**E. G. ARNOLD**  
Box B-63 Station D Brooklyn 33, N. Y.



# LINN'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS

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## JUST LIKE A MAN, TO FORGET

How often has it been said that "It is just like a man, to forget his wife's birthday" or some other occasion so dear to the woman. Well we have been so busy the past month or two that we plumb forgot to tell our readers last week that Mrs. Linn and myself celebrated our fortieth wedding anniversary on June 4th.

## GETTING READY TO EXPAND

Some of you collectors who in the past three years have stopped and visited with us at Sidney, will be surprised when you come again for by that time we will have moved into larger quarters at our office. No change in location is being made, we are simply taking in more room, which we have wanted for some time. The painters have just finished the room, we will have a new linoleum floor laid and then we will be ready to move part of our offices and equipment into a new suite of three rooms immediately in front of the one large room we now occupy. We will retain that room also and thus have a suite of four rooms in which to arrange our offices. We have been very crowded in the past, but once we are fixed up in our new rooms we will have plenty of space to properly arrange our library and our large files of clippings and news items as well as the hundreds of cuts and other things essential to a newspaper office. Our new quarters will provide a private office for the boss, a small room for a study and library and a large room for the subscription files and other material.

The large room at the rear which is now our office will be used for our publications and stock of album pages and such merchandise which we plan to offer at wholesale to dealers in the future.

The present difficulties of obtaining paper etc., in sufficient quantity has forbidden any wholesaling in the past few years but with our present location we will be in a splendid position to supply dealers with a nice line of printed specialties in small or large lots at prices which will make them very popular.

## WASHINGTON RAZZLE-DAZZLE

Recently we commented on the fact that stamp columnists right on the ground in Washington are unable to ferret out any real information concerning coming U. S. issues as was demonstrated by the fact that we printed the story of the coming Roosevelt Memorial issue while the Washington stamp columnists were denying that any such issue was imminent.

Now we again find in the latest column of James Waldo Fawcett in the Washington Star a statement that "The proposed stamp showing the raising of the flag on Iwo Jima has been rejected—".

At the same time as we read this column we have the word from Washington that the stamp is to be issued First Day, July 11th.

Again we can not help from saying that it looks like poor reportorial work on the part of Washington stamp columnists, or is it just one of those things. — — —. You know the Washington Star is one of the most rabid anti-administration, anti Democrat and most solid old guard rock ribbed Republican sheets in the country and maybe the Postoffice Department Officials remember this when inquiries for news about stamps are made.

## AIR MAIL COVERS

 SAMUEL S. GOLDBLICKER, JR. (Dept. Ed.)  
 455 Mt. Prospect Avenue Newark 4, N. J.

I just received a rumor that service on the new extension of AM-26 from Tulsa, Okla.; via Muskogee, Okla.; Fort Smith, Ark.; Texarkana, Arkansas; and Shreveport, La.; into New Orleans, La., would take place about July 1st. Better send your covers out right away.

A precaution. First flight covers of AM-69 (Northwest Airlines—New York, Detroit, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, and the portion of AM-3 between Minneapolis and Seattle-Portland); as well as first flight covers of the AM-53 extension (from Memphis to Detroit) ARE NOT FIRST FLIGHT COVERS. Do not be misled by the cachets on the covers. The first flight of AM-69 was May 15th and of AM-53 was May 20th, and covers of any other dates are NOT FIRST FLIGHTS.

This week, I will discuss the first flight of AM-66, operated by United Airlines from Cleveland, Ohio, via Hartford, Conn., to Boston, Mass.; which took place on May 1st.

There were no cachets or special markings applied to covers at

Cleveland, but United Airlines did sponsor attractive unofficial cachets which were used at Boston and Hartford. The general outline of both cachets was the same—a shield inside of which at the top were the words "FIRST FLIGHT \* DIRECT EAST-WEST ROUTE \* NEW ENGLAND-PACIFIC COAST" in three lines. At the bottom was "UNITED AIR LINES". The illustration in the Boston cachet was The Bunker Hill Monument, the Old North Church, and Paul Revere riding between them. At Hartford, the illustration was that of the famed "Charter Oak". The cachet was applied in both red and black at Boston; and in black at Hartford. Hartford also applied the cachet in red at the backs of covers carried into that city.

Covers are postmarked as follows (all on May 1st): Cleveland P.O. (9-AM); Cleveland AMF (11:00 AM); Hartford EAST (1-PM); Hartford WEST (4-PM); Boston GPO (5-PM); Boston AMF (5:30 PM).

Quantities of covers mailed are Cleveland GPO—?; Cleveland AMF—87; Hartford (east)—469; Hartford (west)—183; Boston GPO—1102; Boston AMF—180. Practically all covers sent to the Cleve-

## OLD U. S. DRASTIC REDUCTIONS

Cleaning out our second grade. These have in most instances only slight or unnoticeable defects. Money back if not satisfied.

No. 68 (1861) 10c green	.....\$ .65
No. 150 (1870) 10c brown	.....50
No. 163 (1873) 15c yellow orange	.....1.75
No. 161 (1873) 10c brown	.....15
No. 165 (1873) 30c gray black	.....1.25
No. 189 (1879) 15c red orange	.....60
No. 190 (1879) 30c full black	.....75
No. 208 (1881) 8c rose	.....1.00
No. 213 (1887) 3c vermilion	.....75
No. 228 (1890) 30c black	.....75
No. 288 (1898) 5c Trans. Miss.	.....75
No. 290 (1898) 10c Trans. Miss.	.....60
No. 297 (1901) 5c Pan American	.....75
No. 298 (1901) 8c Pan American	.....1.25
No. 299 (1901) 10c Pan American	.....90
No. 327 (1904) 10c Louisiana	.....1.10
No. 330 (1907) 5c Jamestown	.....1.00
No. 400 (1912) 5c Panama Exp.	.....35
No. E1 (1885) 10c Special Delivery	.....75

LONGACRE HOBBY SHOP

264K West 42nd St. New York 18, N. Y.

## The Shadow Stars In "Three Stamps Of Death"

You who like a good Detective story thriller as well as you who care to read a story which is woven around some stamps of the Solomon Islands will find all that in the June 1945 issue of "The Shadow" one of the pulp magazines which are so colorful on the newstands.

The story starts in an unusual manner for it mentions Delancey's Stamp Mart and where did you ever hear of an Irishman running a stamp business. Anyhow, such an instance is worth mentioning for Irish names seem few compared with those of other nationalities in the stamp business.

Lawrence E. Hammen of Canton, Ohio, sends a copy of the magazine with this story which

land Postoffice were mailed from the AMF, altho I have seen 2 covers properly mailed from the Postoffice. If any readers have any duplicates from the Postoffice, if any readers have any duplicates from the Postoffice, will they please let me know immediately.

Back stamps are:  
 BOSTON: May 2-8-AM or 10-AM Gen. Del.  
 HARTFORD May 1 General Delivery  
 CLEVELAND AMF May 1 10:30 PM; May 2 Gen. Del.; or May 4 Gen. Del.

Theodore W. White and J. A. Thomson flew the first eastbound flight, while William Miller and W. L. Rutherford were at the controls of the first westbound plane.

Unused TRIANGLES Portraying The Two Princesses of NEW ZEALAND  
 #B22-23: 1d + 1/2d to 2d + 1d  
 Per Set (2)—25c; 5 sets \$1  
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 All we have left are choice selected sets. Single set \$2.00, we can supply blocks at same rate.  
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From Recent Purchases we offer some very fine  
 PROOFS - CARD - INDIA  
 THE FAMOUS ATLANTIC TRIALS  
 in the DEPARTMENTALS  
 POST STAMP CO.  
 MEDINA, N. Y.

AIR MAIL BARGAINS  
 COME AND GET 'EM.  
 Abyssinia  
 #C11-13 Cat. .80.....Net \$ .60  
 Danzig  
 #C15-21 Cat. .34.....Net .25  
 China  
 #C31-40 Cat. 4.68.....Net 2.25  
 Fr. Guiana  
 #C1-8 Cat. 16.45.....Net 6.50  
 Mint Commems. Accepted in Payment  
 GROVE STAMP CO.  
 410 18 St. Pacific Grove, Calif.

NEW ISSUES  
 A. M. G. FRANCE.....(10) \$ .85  
 A. M. G. GERMANY.....(4) .70  
 AUSTRALIA - Gloucester.....(3) .26  
 BELGIUM tete-beche pair.....(2) .28  
 BRAZIL Rio Branco, air, post.....(3) .65  
 BRAZIL Esp. Cong., air, post.....(2) .17  
 GUATMALA Comm. air mail.....(4) .35  
 NETHERLANDS overprint.....(1) .18

BELGIUM, Famous Legends.....(8) 4.25  
 ECUADOR, Red Cross air m.....(4) 2.65  
 ECUADOR, Red Cross post.....(4) 1.65  
 FRANCE, #545, 546.....(2) .35  
 FRANCE, #498.....(1) .25  
 FRANCE, #499.....(1) .25  
 FRANCE, #497 Chenonceaux.....(1) .20  
 FRANCE, 15 fr. Chenonceaux.....(1) .50  
 FRANCE, #504 Liberation.....(1) .25  
 FRANCE, Day of Postage.....(1) .25  
 FRANCE, 50 & 100 Fr. Lib.....(2) 5.50  
 LUX'BRG, Thanks to Allies.....(4) 1.25

We have the latest German stamps and those of German occupied territory. Send for list.

POSTAGE EXTRA ON ORDERS UNDER \$1. NEW ISSUES ON APPROVAL WITH REF.

HORTON STAMP CO.  
 Box 1853 Milwaukee, 1, Wisconsin

we have not yet had time to read, but we are sure going to do so and you can find it on your newsstand at 15c for the June issue of The Shadow.

SWAP For each 1000 foreign stamps off paper or 1/2 lb. any foreign on paper, we will give 1 lb. U. S. unpicked mixture. You pay postage both ways on this deal. ILLINOIS STAMP CO., 853 1/2 Agatite St., Chicago 40, Illinois.

## POPPENGER COVER NEWS!

IWO JIMA STAMP July 11th is the date! A new three cent stamp honoring this great historical event. We will have attractive designed cachet in patriotic colors on bond paper, white and six tints. Our prices for complete service:

### FIRST DAY COVERS

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Two cent	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three cent	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Five cent	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

NOTICE: To all of our customers who have already ordered Roosevelt covers, your order will be filled with the three cent cover. If you want the other three be sure and order the same at once in order to get the complete set of four covers.

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Ohio. Mr. Kelly for a number of years an enthusiastic Ohio specialist has one of the outstanding state collections. He has to start with many lists of his own compilation including his famous Master Want List of OHIO, these with Mr. Reeds notes will form a solid foundation for his work in listing and preparing data for any new precancel catalog that the publishers might feel necessary to publish. Collectors of OHIO precancels should get in touch with Mr. Kelly and help him list every variety of OHIO overprint in existence.

**Kansas Notes.**  
Rev. Miles M. Anderson state editor for Kansas has furnished me with some precancel facts about the Sunflower state. Unless my addition is bad and it generally is there are 105 countries in Kansas and every county but three, Kearney, Stanton and Wallace, have at least one precancel issuing town. There is by my count 471 towns listed but not all of these have been seen, some are authorized but not seen. If all these towns could be accounted for Kansas would hustle California in number of towns as I think the latest count from that state showed 473. Anyway collectors interested in Kansas precancels will do well to get in touch with Mr. Anderson at 1811 Belmont Ave. Parsons Kansas.

**New Stamps.**  
The Roosevelt stamps if issued as illustrated will be large size stamps. This as far as precanceling is concerned will put somewhat of a cramp in activities along this line. We hope so!

**P-C-E-C**

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**Notice**  
135 Staff Sgt. Wm. H. Robin has been missing in action since

April 2nd when his plane was damaged and had to land in Russian territory. He has just returned to his base in Italy and is buried with mail. Will be inactive for a while until he gets straightened out.

307 Pfc. Hafner is back at the Butner, General Hospital Camp Butner, N. Ca., after 68 days leave at home and wishes to thank all the folks for their wonderful generosity to him. Not well enough

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to thank everyone individually, Bravo, folks!

245 Mrs. George Bengston is compelled to go on the inactive list for awhile owing to illness in her family.

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50c purple—Goddess and weapon  
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1L25 blue—Milan building  
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It has just been announced that a 3c stamp showing the raising of the American Flag by our Marines on Mount Suribachi on Iwo Jima Island will be issued First Day at Washington, D. C., on July 11th. We will not be surprised if this is a two color printing, showing our flag in natural colors. Order your covers now. I will have three different fine quality envelopes, the Grimsland Engraved, the fine Stachle Design and a fine embossed envelope.  
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## U. S. Prints 300,000 Miles Of Postage Stamps Yearly

Mass production of printing from steel plates by the engraving process has been developed perhaps nowhere in the world to the extent it has by the U. S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington, D. C., where postage stamps roll from the Bureau's engraving presses so fast that a year's printing of stamps, if they were laid end to end, would stretch more than 300,000 miles. Well over 19 billions of stamps are printed in a year, counting regular issues and commemoratives.

### Mass Production

Not all these stamps are printed rotary, of course. Many are printed on the battery of plate presses maintained by the Bureau, which in addition to being the world's largest stamp factory is also the world's greatest currency producing plant. But the rotary press, because it has brought mass production to the engraving process, is perhaps the most interesting from the viewpoint of persons in the Graphic Arts. It prints 400 stamps to a sheet from a steel cylindrical plate 19½x21½" and was built on special order for the Bureau.

Stamp platemaking at the Bureau of Engraving is a meticulous and timetaking process. The making of plates as well as the original die for one stamp issue requires the greatest skill and technique. The approximate time required to engrave a special delivery size stamp, 1.44x.84", is 100 hours, it is pointed out by John C. Rout, of the Bureau staff, who is member of the Publications Committee, Share Your Knowledge Review, International Assn. of Printing House Craftsmen.

The original die is engraved upon a soft steel block four inches square and one-fourth inch thick. The die then is hardened and sent to the siderography department, where it is used to impress, under tremendous pressure, three images of the stamp design upon a soft roller. This roller in turn is subjected to a hardening process and then is used to impress multiple images of the original die upon the steel plate that is to go on the press for actual printing of the stamp sheets.

For the rotary press 400 true duplicates of the original die, exactly spaced to the thousandth of an inch, are impressed upon the plate. After the stamp images have been transferred, 41 electric eye dashes .03" wide and .32" long are transferred to the center of the plate to insure register and the back of the plate then is rolled to flatten the burrs caused by the transferring process. After being planed to its proper thickness gripper slots are cut in the edge of the plate to hold it to the cylinder and it is then bent to its printing diameter, and the joint scraped to an exact fit. Hardened and placed on the cylinder, the plate is ground to form a contin-

uous roll. A chromium plating .0003" thick gives the plate a remarkably hard printing surface and long life.

### Paper Fed From Roll

Paper is fed from a roll and the press, in its various operations, wets, prints, gums and dries the paper and rolls the printed stamps upon another spindle at the end of the machine, at the rate of 1,200 sheets of 400 stamps an hour. Between inking and impression the cylindrical plate is wiped free of surplus ink by an automatic paper wiper which is fed from another roll.

Perforating and cutting of the stamp sheets is a separate opera-

tion. Printed stamp rolls are fed into a perforating machine which has an electric eye control. The 41 electric eye dashes in the center of the sheet, previously referred to, guide the perforating wheels between the stamps.

The above article is from a magazine called "Engraving".

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### TWO JIMA 3c COMMEMORATIVE

What is probably the first of five commemorative stamps honoring the Armed Services has been announced with first day of sale to be in Washington, D. C., July 11th. We have a splendid cachet drawn by Sgt. Ken Boll (shown below) already prepared. These are printed on the best bond envelope we can procure under the present envelope shortage in patriotic red and blue colors. Additional designs are in preparation for the other stamps we expect to follow, but PLEASE do not order them yet as they will not be printed until definite announcement is made of such issuance.

We offer our usual guaranteed service on both first day covers and envelopes for self-servicing.

### CACHET-CRAFT F. D. COVERS

Mailed direct to you from Washington, D. C., July 11th on Cachet-Craft envelopes

	Plain	Plate No.	Dash	Slug	Slug Pl. No.	Guide
<b>SINGLE</b> -----	.13	—	.15	.15	—	.20
<b>BLOCK</b> -----	.23	.40	.25	.25	.40	.35

### COMPLETE COVERAGE (the above ten covers) for only \$2.35

SPECIAL 5-color design available only as completed first day covers since it will not be available until late in June. Add 5c per cover to above prices or 40c per set of ten.



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Four different envelopes have been prepared for this set, one for each of the four values. Printed with black border and center in color to match the stamp, each shows a different Roosevelt scene.

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